HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1318 By Hargrove

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Groundskeeper Willie and the Transcendentalists, the 2004 winner of the Cookeville High School Battle of the Bands.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those talented young Tennesseans who have distinguished themselves as gifted musical performers; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy group of young Tennesseans are the members of Groundskeeper Willie and the Transcendentalists, who recently won the 2004 Cookeville High School Battle of the Bands; and

WHEREAS, overcoming the bitter results of the prior year's competition that saw them finish as runner-up in a controversial decision that fans of the group still recall with words such as "they were robbed!" makes capturing the 2004 trophy the ultimate vindication; and

WHEREAS, bonded by the group motto, "We are the oversoul," this dynamic group is comprised of Ethan Ballinger on lead guitar, Tony Neely on bass, Jon Watson on drums and Drew Hargrove on guitars and vocals; and

WHEREAS, their winning set list included their exquisite performances of Alice Cooper's Schools Out, Survivor's Eye of the Tiger, Pink Floyd's Another Brick in the Wall Part 2, Radiohead's There, There, Led Zeppelin's Heartbreaker, the Ren and Stimpy theme song and Ryan Adams' So Alive; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud these talented young musicians on their tremendous victory; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate the winners of the 2004 Cookeville High School

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Battle of the Bands, Groundskeeper Willie and the Transcendentalists and extend to them our best wishes for every success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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